

# **IRTS Radio News Bulletin Sunday 29th November 2009**

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## **IRTS Callbook 2010**

A copy of the printed Call Book 2010 has been posted to all members, including those who receive newsletters by electronic distribution only.

As you may wish to add the Call Book pdf to your collection, the electronic version has been made available on the Electronic Distribution download page. Which members who have opted for electronic distribution can access.

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## **IRTS Radio News via ATV**

The IRTS radio news which is normally broadcast by South Eastern Amateur Radio Group at 9.30 p.m. on Tuesday nights via the Southern Ireland Repeater Network is now available live via the EI8WDT, ATV (television) repeater from Dungarvan, Co. Waterford.

A live video feed is available each Tuesday night at [www.ei8ffb.com](http://www.ei8ffb.com) (details and link to EI8FFB are available on the SEARG web site at [www.searg.com](http://www.searg.com))

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## **Galway VHF Group 24 hour Radio Operation from RNLI**

### **Stations**

The final operation from the Galway VHF is taking place from Clifden Lifeboat Station, Ballyconneely, this weekend the 28th and 29th of November. The callsign will be EI 185 RNLI

All operation will take place on the HF bands with two stations in operation at all times. There will be operation on Phone and Digital Modes with some operation on SSTV also possible. There will be a special QSL card for all contacts made and SWL reports will also be welcomed. Varying types of antenna construction will be used including a Kite antenna for the LF bands.

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## **Mayo Radio Rally**

The Mayo Radio Experimenters' would like to sincerely thank the traders and customers who turned up in Castlebar on Sunday last, for the Mayo Radio Rally. While numbers were slightly down on last year's record high, the huge turnout on the day was totally unexpected given the horrible road and weather conditions.

The door prize, which was sponsored by the Welcome Inn Hotel, was won by Mr. Mark Hillary, of Bearvaish, Rathmuller, Ballymote, Co. Sligo.

There was a great turnout on the Saturday night for the very entertaining and interesting presentation by Declan Craig, EI6FR, and the club wishes to thank Declan and those who attended. The next meeting of the club is on Wednesday December 2nd. at 9.30pm in the Welcome Inn Hotel.

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## **Trans Atlantic re-mailer**

There is a 'Trans-Atlantic' email re-mailer established with the help of websites QSL.net & QTH.net If you are interested, Please subscribe. In addition to Amateur Radio Licensees, FM & TV DX'ers are welcomed as well as anyone that has a real interest. Please feel free to pass on this information to anyone that you feel would be sincerely interested.

Transatlantic--This remailer is amateur radio operators and dxers that are interested in completing or helping to complete a contact across the Atlantic from North or South America or the Caribbean to Europe or Africa and their associated islands on 144 MHz or above. Reports, discussion and liason activities are welcomed. This includes discussion of possible or actual Trans-Atlantic propagation above 70MHz, including the FM Broadcast, TV, and all Amateur bands. General information about the mailing list is at: [mailman.qth.net/mailman/listinfo/transatlantic](mailto:mailman.qth.net/mailman/listinfo/transatlantic)

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## **Kish Lighthouse Activation**

Daniel EI9FHB should be active from the Kish lighthouse from Sunday 22nd of November until Wednesday 9th of December. The Kish lighthouse is located about 10 miles east of Dun Laoghaire and marks a sandbank on the route to Wales. The lighthouse was built in 1965 and is undergoing a major overhaul of power systems and navigational aids.

Daniel will be operational on HF voice and 2M & 70cm FM. Operating will be mainly on Sundays and after 7pm other days. The worked all Ireland frequencies will be used

where possible.

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### **Lufthansa Amateur Radio Club on-the-air from Dubai**

The LARC (Lufthansa Amateur Radio Club) in cooperation with the Emirates Amateur Radio Society (EARS) will be operating as A65DLH out of Dubai, United Arab Emirates, from 23-30 November.

Activity is planned on all bands 160-10m, using CW/SSB/Digi Modes and also in the CQWWDX CW contest.

QSL via DO7ZZ info on QRZ.com

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### **Great Tower of Breda - Special Event Station**

Look for special event station PB500GT to be active between November 28th and December 13th.

Activity is to celebrate the 500th anniversary of the 'Great Tower of Breda'

Operators will operate at a height of 65m from the Great Toren. This Great Tower is located in the middle of the city.

Operations will be on 80/40/20/2 meters using SSB and the Digital modes.

QSL Manager is Willem, PA1WLB.

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### **Crossakiel Amateur Radio Association**

CARA are organising a visit to the Hurdy Gurdy Radio Museum EI0MAR on 13th December. Members are requested to contact CARA Secretary, John to secure their place.

John can be contacted at ei6ghb /at/ o2.ie. CARA meet every Wednesday at 20.30. Visitors welcome.

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### **Shannon Basin Radio Club AGM**

The Shannon Basin Radio Club will hold its AGM on Friday 11th Dec at 20.30 in Hannons Hotel, Roscommon.

All members are asked to attend and new members are always welcome. Festive Refreshments will be available on the night.

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### **South Dublin Radio Club**

This year's South Dublin Radio Club Christmas Party will take place on Tuesday the 15th of December.

The venue will be the same as last year, "The Morgue", Tempelogue Village from 8.00 pm until late.

Members of other clubs and visitors are as usual very welcome to this social event. Limited free food will be available for paid-up members; visitors can choose from the bar menu until 9.00 pm.

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### **Joint Club Christmas Dinner**

The North Dublin Radio Club, Fingal Radio Club and the Howth Martello Radio Group are having a joint Christmas dinner on Saturday 19th December. The restaurant in the Coachman's Inn near Dublin Airport is the venue and the meal will start at 8:30pm.

The Christmas menu is €19.25 with an a la carte menu also available. This is the second year that this joint dinner has been organised. Last year's dinner was a great success and so this year it has been decided to invite other amateurs, SWLs and friends. Lapsed members of both clubs would be particularly welcome.

Places are limited and early booking is recommended. If interested please email tony /at/ ei0mar.org as soon as possible to make a reservation.

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### **This week in History**

1867 Barbed wire patented by Joseph Gidden, USA.

1889 First Jukebox used, Palais Royale Saloon, San Francisco, USA.

1902 Marconi sends faint signals across the Atlantic from Glace Bay, Nova Scotia,

Canada to Poldhu, Cornwall.

1910 Royal Australian Navy created by the Australian Naval Defence Act.

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Items mentioned in the IRTS Radio news are of a general, educational or informative nature, there is no guarantee that stations mentioned can be heard or worked

Items for inclusion in next weeks Radio News should be

forwarded to Charlie EI8JB, preferably via e-mail to “charlie dot Carolan at gmail dot com” Or by phone to 087-6265418 News can also be submitted via e-mail to “newsteam at irts dot ie” for automatic forwarding to both the radio and printed news services.

Please note that items for the radio news should reach the editor no later than midday on Thursday in order to be guaranteed inclusion in the following Sunday’s bulletin.

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